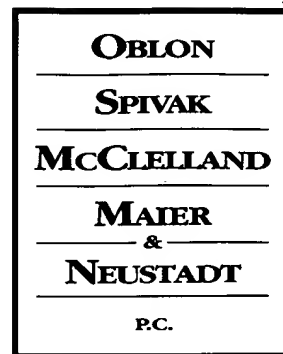




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In response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application based on the following discussion:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.